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Edgewood Man Held on \$100,000 Bond in Prison Marijuana Case

Man allegedly attempted to deliver pot to inmate

***Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services
Internal Investigative Unit follows-up on Division of Correction
Canine Officer's Good Work***

TOWSON, MD (March 9, 2007)---An Edgewood man has been ordered held on \$100,000 bond after his arrest on charges related to an alleged attempt to take marijuana into the Jessup Correctional Institution on February 3. Thirty-one year-old William Langley has been ordered to post the entire amount of the bail or remain at the Anne Arundel County Detention Center.

Division of Correction Canine Unit Sgt. Mark Flynn and his dog Briar became suspicious of Langley as he prepared to register as a visitor at the Jessup prison last month. The canine alerted to the presence of marijuana, and further diligence on the part of Sgt. Flynn led to the discovery of a total of five bags of marijuana, at least one bag of which, investigators believe, Langley intended to deliver to an inmate at the prison. Sgt. Flynn found four of the bags inside Langley's car on the prison parking lot. The total weight of the marijuana exceeded 85 grams, making this one of the Canine Unit's largest narcotics interdictions.

When Langley and an acquaintance drove off prison property shortly after the discovery of the marijuana, detectives with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services Internal Investigative Unit were notified, along with law enforcement officers in Harford County. Langley was arrested today, March 9.

If convicted on all charges, the defendant could face up to 12 years in prison and fines totaling \$18,000.

Reducing the flow of contraband inside state prisons is a priority for the Division of Correction and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. Contraband such as drugs frequently contributes to violence, which threatens both staff and inmates.

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